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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

DAVID STEWART DUNNING, ET AL.

Application No.: 08/766,895

Filed: December 13, 1996

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ROUTING ENCODED
SIGNALS THROUGH A NETWORK**

Art Group: 2663

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

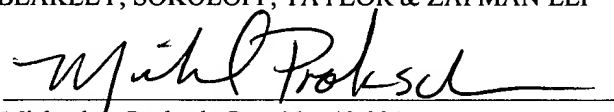
In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully petition the Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 02, 2001, from the Final Office Action dated May 02, 2001. A check in the amount of \$110.00 (petition filing fee) and the Notice of Appeal are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

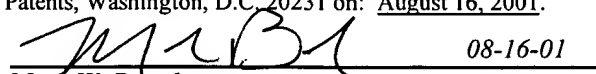
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